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Madison, Wisconsin -- Erik C. Peterson, United States Attorney for the Western District of Wisconsin, announced that Julian Cervantes-Garcia, 29, a resident of Mexico, was sentenced today by U.S. District Judge John C. Shabaz to 60 months in prison for illegally reentering the United States after having been previously deported. Cervantes-Garcia pleaded guilty to this charge on November 20, 2007.

Judge Shabaz increased the defendant's sentence significantly because he found Cervantes-Garcia's criminal history showed a trend of violence toward others and that he presented a significant danger to others.

The charge against Cervantes-Garcia was the result of an investigation conducted by U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement and the Monroe County Sheriff's Department. The prosecution of the case has been handled by Assistant U.S. Attorney Elizabeth Altman.

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